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Hongkong, August 1, 1923.

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be closed for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, 5th AUGUST.

Hongkong, August 1, 1923.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF ONE DOLLAR per share for the six months ending 30th June, 1923, will be PAYABLE on WEDNESDAY, 8th AUGUST, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, 25th July to Wednesday, 8th August, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

JOHN ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 10, 1923.

HONGKONG LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION.

THE Shields and Medals will be presented to the winning club in the "A" Division of the Tennis League on SATURDAY August 4th, by Mrs. Grace at the Indian Recreation Club's Ground at Sookumpoo.

A match will be played: WINNERS versus the REST commencing at 4 p.m.

JOHN C. FLETCHER, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, August 3, 1923.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

**ITEMS FROM FAR AND
NEAR**

Romford, Essex, Urban Council have refused to allow games in their parks.

King Haakon of Norway arrived at Amsterdam on a visit to the Queen of Holland and was greeted with great enthusiasm.

A French aeroplane having fallen on non-occupied territory in Essen, the German authorities have arrested the persons in the machine.

The strike of 50,000 cotton operatives at Ahmedabad, India, has ended after 64 days, the men agreeing to accept a wage reduction of 10 per cent.

Cotton trade employers reached an agreement at Manchester with representatives of 400,000 operatives stabilising wages till next February.

A donkey in a field at Matlock attacked Kenneth Gilbert, aged 3, and after picking him up in its mouth threw him to the ground and trampled on him. The child was rescued by a passer-by and taken to hospital.

Giving evidence at a Scottish trawling inquiry at Buckie, Banffshire, Captain Munro, who was in charge of drifters during the war, said when he telegraphed the Admiralty first about drifters they asked what these boats were and if they would be any use in the war.

Scotland Yard detectives investigating a robbery of goods stated to be worth £1,000 from the premises of Messrs. R. G. Morton and Co., blouse manufacturers, Great Chapel-street, Oxford-street W., raided a flat in Hackfort road, Brixton S.W., and arrested four men. The men will be charged at Marlborough-street with stealing and receiving the goods.

At the conference of head-mistresses at Newham College, Cambridge, Miss Tanner, Bedford High School, said girls were intellectually docile. They lacked intellectual and scientific curiosity, and were ready to accept what they were told. Miss Mickleburgh, Oswestry High School, describing a scheme for school discipline by a council of scholars instead of prefects, said the idea was to make the punishment fit the crime. A girl caught hiding eggs in her desk had to boil the eggs for dinner for a week.

A sweepstake on the St. Leger, with prize money estimated to amount to £50,000, has been organised at Liverpool by the Old Swan Conservative Club.

Edinburgh police have detained a man and a woman in connection with the death of William Cree, a Dunfermline railway worker, who fell 30ft. from the window of a flat in Jamaica-street.

Hearing that a number of Indians in the remote district of Moose Falls, Ontario, were rioting, the district magistrate at Cockburn boarded an aeroplane, and, after a flight of 2½ hours, swooped down upon the rioters, held an impromptu court, and fined four of them.

On asking a crowd of people on a piece of waste ground at Glasgow what had happened, Mrs. McGowan, wife of a miner, was told that there had been a fight, as a result of which her husband had been taken away dead. John McGowan, who gave himself up to the police, will be charged before a magistrate with causing McGowan's death.

Information has reached Grimsby that the British trawler "Quercia," which was seized by the Norwegian Government in February for fishing within the three-miles limit off Vardo, has been released upon payment of a fine of 7,000 kroner (£280) imposed by the Christiania Appeal Court in substitution for the Vardo Court's sentence of confiscation of the ship and her gear.

Mr. Alfred Young Nutt, of Morcott West, Slough, Buckinghamshire, who celebrated his golden wedding was married by the Rev. W. Y. Nutt and the Rev. G. Nutt, his father and brother, on his father's golden wedding day. He is the last of a family of 15, three of whom, one son by his father's first marriage, and the eldest and youngest sons by a second marriage, were born on May 5.

In a secluded corner of Harrow School football field the sun smiled upon a riot of colour at a dress rehearsal of the Harrow Pageant. In the streets of Harrow primitive Saxon warriors mixed with stately courtiers of the spacious times of Queen Elizabeth monks and nuns, halberdiers and bishops, kings and retainers, went hurrying to the rehearsal ground. The scenes included "A Band of Saxon Warriors Who Took Up Their Abode At Harrow," "Henry VIII. on a Hawking Expedition at Harrow," and "The Archery Tournament for the Silver Arrow."

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WHAT NEXT.

AMERICA SHARES OUR FEARS.

GRIM WINTER AHEAD.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.

Government officials are closely drawing attention to the statements made by Mr. Baldwin and Lord Curzon, but complete silence there-
 However, there is little doubt that officials share Lord Curzon's apprehension about what the winter holds in store for the Germans.

It is believed that in the event of a famine in Germany, American public opinion will demand the undertaking of relief measures.

SUREST GROUND.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.

Commenting on Mr. Baldwin's statement, the *World* says that the British Government has taken the position on the surest ground it has occupied since the beginning of the reparations controversy. Its declarations with regard to the irretrievable ruin are indisputable.

The *Tribune* says that the British position tends more and more to definite separation from the Allied policy.

The *Times* says Britain's offer is not so much rejected by France as temporarily ignored. Britain's next approach to the Allies may be more successful.

COLD DOUCHE.

BERLIN, August 3.

The British Government's declarations come as a cold douche of disappointment, as they were expected to announce the termination of the Entente and British support of Germany. It is feared that further long and wearisome inter-Allied negotiations may now be held, during which Germany's position will steadily worsen, which the Berlin Press alleges is Mr. Poincaré's objective. It is considered that until it is definitely known what Britain's next step is going to be, Germany can only continue to struggle.

NOTHING TO FEAR.

BRUSSELS, August 3.

The *Etat Belge* says that the Belgian Government does not fear publication of its reply to the British memorandum, but does not desire this until the possibility of further negotiations disappear.

COUNTY CRICKET.

SOME INTERESTING RESULTS.

FIRST TO COMPLETE 2,000 RUNS.

LONDON, July 3.

The West Indies team defeated Surrey at the Oval by ten wickets. Surrey's first innings amounted to 87 when Francis obtained 5 wickets for 31 and Browne 4 for 41. The second Surrey innings closed at 136, D. R. Jardine contributing 104; Francis again secured 5 wickets, this time for 45 runs. The West Indians, in their first innings, scored 305, including 155 not out by Challenger. Their second attempt was closed at 121 for no wickets of which Challenger contributed 66 not out.

At Taunton, Somerset beat Sussex by six wickets. J. C. W. MacBryan (Somerset) made 116 not out in the second innings.

Lancashire, at Liverpool, defeated Northamptonshire by nine wickets. Makepeace compiled 200 not out in Lancashire's first innings.

The first three to complete individual aggregates of 2,000 runs this season are Hendren (Middlesex) Mead (Hampshire) and Makepeace (Lanc.) in the order mentioned.

Yorkshire beat Worcestershire at Haringate by an innings and 37 runs. Worcestershire's first innings only amounted to 42, Macaulay taking 5 wickets for 11 runs. Macaulay obtained 5 wickets in the second innings for 58 runs when the total was 163. Yorkshire declared their innings at 242 for 2 wickets.

At Bourne, Hampshire lost to Essex by four wickets. Russell (Essex) made 97 in the second innings.

Glamorgan defeated Gloucestershire by 232 runs at Swansea.

FINLAND'S COMMUNISTS.

ALLEGED REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES.

HELSINKI, August 3.

Over 100 Communists have been arrested for participating in revolutionary activities in Finland. The Government ordered the arrest of all free members of the central committee of the Communist Party, also the editors of Communist newspapers, and the publication of which has been suspended.

The arrested men will be charged with high treason. It is stated that the Government have received instructions and considerable sum of money from the Russian Communist Party.

LABOUR CONDITIONS.

A message from Moscow states that the Third Internationale has appointed Messrs. Heller, Katayama and Harden, representing Russia, Japan and Canada respectively, to investigate labour conditions in the East.

TENNIS.

SEABRIGHT, NEW JERSEY, Aug. 3.

Mrs. Mallory beat Miss McKane 6-4, 6-3.

COMING TO CHINA.

SOVIET ENVOY'S SPECIAL MISSION.

RIGA, August 3.

A message from Moscow states that Kara Khan, a member of the Soviet Foreign Affairs Commission, has gone on a special mission to China.

He stated that the Pacific would in future become the centre of international politics and after fortifying Singapore the British would be masters of Asia.

INSURANCE.

CANTON LICENCE CONDITION.

DEPOSIT DEMANDED.

The Canton Customs Trade report for 1922 had a note to the effect that the Municipality were making it a condition of Companies carrying on insurance business, that they should deposit a large fee with the Government of Municipality before doing so. In view of the large amount of insurance business being done in Canton by Hongkong Companies and agencies, the matter was brought to the notice of Messrs Jardine Matheson and Co. who manage one of the largest Fire Insurance Companies in the East.

"The attempt of the Canton Municipality to persuade Insurance Companies to pay a deposit as a condition of obtaining a licence to do business, is not likely to succeed with foreign companies," said Mr. K. A. Mason, the acting head of Messrs Jardine Matheson's Insurance Department to a *China Mail* representative, yesterday. Mr. Mason said that his firm had not been approached and certainly would not comply under present conditions as there is no surety that such deposit would be safe. Even the Peking Government, which, such as it is, is the only government in China recognized by the Powers, makes no such stipulation, so I fail to see how even the Canton Government, much less the Municipality, could expect any foreign insurance company to acquiesce in a demand for a deposit. Though I have no direct information on the subject, it is quite on the cards that Chinese Insurance Companies have been approached."

TENNIS AT I.R.C.

PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.

The committee and members of the Indian Recreation Club will be at home to their friends from 4 to 7 to-day at Sookunpoo, when the shields and medals will be presented by Mrs. Grace to the winning club and players in the "A" division of the Tennis League. Some excellent tennis should be witnessed during the afternoon between the "Rest" and the "Winners." Teams follow:—

The Rest.	The Winners.
Ng See Kwoon	(O. Ramjahn
M. W. Lo	(H. D. Ramjahn
R. E. Wellington	(A. H. Ramjahn
H. Hancock	(S. A. Ramjahn
E. H. S. Dods	(S. D. Ramjahn
A. B. Baworth	(H. H. Ramjahn

BASEBALL.

LEAGUE TEAMS.

The Hongkong Baseball League have arranged two games for the week-end. This afternoon, the Lusitano Club and Japanese teams meet, while to-morrow the Indians meet the S.C.A.A. nine. Play is scheduled to commence at 4.30 each afternoon. The line-ups follow:—

LUSITANO	JAPANESE
A. Barros	c. Eto
L. Rocha	p. Ishimatsu
R. Xavier	b. Fuso
R. Rocha	2b. Kano
A. Gomes	3b. Hayashi
D. Alves	s.s. Ishida
J. Soares	l.f. Mikuriya
H. Prata	c.f. Umemoto
C. Pereira	r.f. Kusano
SOUTH CHINA	INDIAN.
Ed. Kong	c. C. Ismail
D. Shih	p. J. S. Curram
H. Chan	1b. S. A. Sopher
K. F. June	2b. U. M. Omar
J. Chien	3b. J. S. Acker
Wm. Chinn	s.s. A. A. Ramjahn
F. G. Lee	l.f. R. M. Omar
D. Chinn	c.f. N. B. Kitchell
T. Chinn	r.f. S. A. Ismail

"THE IRON TRAIL."

CORONET'S RAILROAD DRAMA.

When Rex Beach had his first look at the scenes of the film, "The Iron Trail," an adaptation from his famous narrative of the same name, he expressed his approval in two words:—"That's Alaska." The scenes which the author saw were those forming the climax of the picture, where the mighty crush of the ice in the river starts to sweep all before it on its rush from the glacier to the sea, and the scenes of the toppling railroad bridge over the Salmon River with the men working desperately to save it from destruction. Other parts of the film, showing the action at the railroad crossing when the big mob fight occurs, were also shown, and while these pieces of film were in the rough, without tinting, titling or any pretence at continuity, Mr. Beach, who knows Alaska as probably does no other writer, sat tensely interested, mentally carried back to the land of adventure in the far north. No more severe critic could have passed judgment on the scenes, and the criticism of the well-known author in his two words, "That's Alaska," should be a sufficient guarantee as to the excellence of the film. "The Iron Trail," as most picture-goers probably know, is a railroad tale. It is one of Rex Beach's strongest stories, and the film is faithful in every detail to the spirit of Mr. Beach's writing.

WATER POLO.

HIGH SCORING IN LEAGUE.

In the V.R.C. swimming pool, last night, two matches were decided in the Water Polo League. In the first game the King's (B) proved far too strong for the second string of the V.R.C., winning by 10 goals to 1. At half-time the score was 6-1, Parry obtaining 4 points and Potter and Broadwell one each. The V.R.C. goal was scored by Hast with a long shot. After the interval Jones (3), Parry (4) added to the soldiers' score.

The teams were: King's Regiment (B).—Beesley (goal), Jones and Giffin (backs), Potter (half back), Broadwell, Parry and Knowles (forwards). V.R.C. (B).—J. M. Soares (goal), C. C. MacKenzie and V. H. Hast (backs), E. G. Jordan (half back), L. E. Rosa, S. Haroon and J. G. Hooper (forwards).

THE SECOND GAME. In the second game, the V.R.C. first string proved far too strong for the R.G.A. Buschaert, for the club, was almost invincible, scoring no less than 12 goals, Stewart (2) and Watson (1) bringing the score to 15 before the final whistle sounded. Barton scored the sole point for the R.G.A. The sides were:

V.R.C. (A).—T. J. Knight (goal), R. C. Withnell and Haroon (backs), J. Stewart (half back), D. Lyon, J. Watson and G. Buschaert (forwards). R.G.A. (B).—Oram (goal), Ansell and Mancer (backs), Doggrell (half back), Barton, Harris and Woolley (forwards).

Mr. G. T. May kindly officiated as referee in both matches.

HONGKONG IMPORTS.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

The fortnightly report issued by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce says:—

Cotton piece goods and fancy cotton goods.—There has been a fair enquiry, chiefly for Fancy Goods, but the volume of business which has resulted is disappointing. Manchester prices, especially for staples, have declined. Clearances have fallen off. Local values are practically unchanged.

Cotton Yarn.—The capture of Wuchow City by Sun Yat Sen's troops has created a better feeling and a fair number of bales was put through at previous rates. In sympathy with the decline in the price of American Cotton, buying has ceased and quotations are purely nominal.

Quotations are:—No. 10s \$164/191. No. 12s \$172/202. No. 16s \$105/207. No. 20s \$182/206. Arrivals 4,250 bales. Shipments nil. Sales 3,000 bales. Unsold stock 11,000 bales. Bargains 7,000 bales.

Woolens.—There is a considerable amount of enquiries and some lines of suitings have been booked. Raw Cottons.—There is no business to report and quotations are unchanged.

Metals.—The market has been active chiefly for spot cargo at prices which in many cases show a loss to the importer. Local prices are much below replacing cost as it is difficult to negotiate for future delivery.

Flour Market Report.—Stock: estimated at 350,000 sacks. Market steady.

Quotations:—American Patent \$3.65 per sack; American Straight \$3.00 per sack; American Cut off \$2.95 per sack; Shanghai Flour \$3.15 per sack; Australian No. 1 \$3.00 per sack.

Sundries: Window Glass.—Fewer important sales. Market quiet. Sugar.—Java Rough White. Market dull.

Salt-petre, No. 1.—Slight improvement since last report.

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\$20,000 CARGO LOST.

A few days ago, a junk loaded with produce valued about \$20,000 from Un Long in the New Territories, sank at Pak Wan Hau near Kap Si Mun Pass. The cargo included paddy, rice, pigs &c. It is stated that the junk struck a rock and sank in a few minutes. This morning a number of dead pigs in crates were seen floating into the harbour near Green Island.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

BECAUSE of the Death of the President of the United States of America the American Consulate General will be CLOSED, except for the transaction of the most urgent business, until TUESDAY, the 7th August.

WILLIAM H. GALE,
Consul General.
Hongkong, August 3, 1923.

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Children's Service (10 a.m.)
Hymns, 237, 202.
Matins (11 a.m.)
Responses: Total; Venite, No. 59
(Omnino); Psalm: 90, 93; To Deum,
Woodward, Smart, Turle; Benedictus,
No. 28 (Bovary); Hymns, 242, 215.
Holy Communion (11 noon).
Evening (6 p.m.)
Responses: Psalm: Psalm, 51, 54;
Magnificat, No. 7 (Spehr); Nunc
Dimittis No. 23 (Tippett); Hymns,
210, 207, 22.

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The A.O.L. s.s. "President Jackson"
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day, Aug. 2, at 5 p.m. This steamer sails
for Manila to-morrow at 5 p.m.

The B. F. s.s. "Patrolus" from Liver-
pool left Singapore on Aug. 2 for this
port and is due here on Aug. 8.

The B. F. s.s. "Dardania" from
Liverpool left Singapore on Aug. 2 for
this port and is due here on Aug. 6.

The B. F. s.s. "Sargento" for Mar-
seille, London and Rotterdam left
Shanghai on Aug. 2 for this port and is
due here to-morrow. The vessel will be
despatched at noon on Aug. 7.

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for this port on Aug. 2 and is due here
on Aug. 8.

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The B. L. s.s. "Benlog" from Mid-
dlebury, Antwerp and London left Singa-
pore for this port on Aug. 7 and may
be expected to arrive here on or about
Aug. 7.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of
Australia" left Vancouver for Hongkong
via Japan ports, Shanghai, on July 30;
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pected here on Aug. 15.

The B. F. s.s. "Perseus" left Liver-
pool on July 21 for Straits, Hongkong,
Shanghai and Japan and is due here on
or about Aug. 20.

The C. A. s.s. "Victoria" left here for
Saidan and Australian ports on July
7, was due at Sydney on July 25 and will
sail from Sydney for Hongkong to-
morrow being expected here on or
about Aug. 27.

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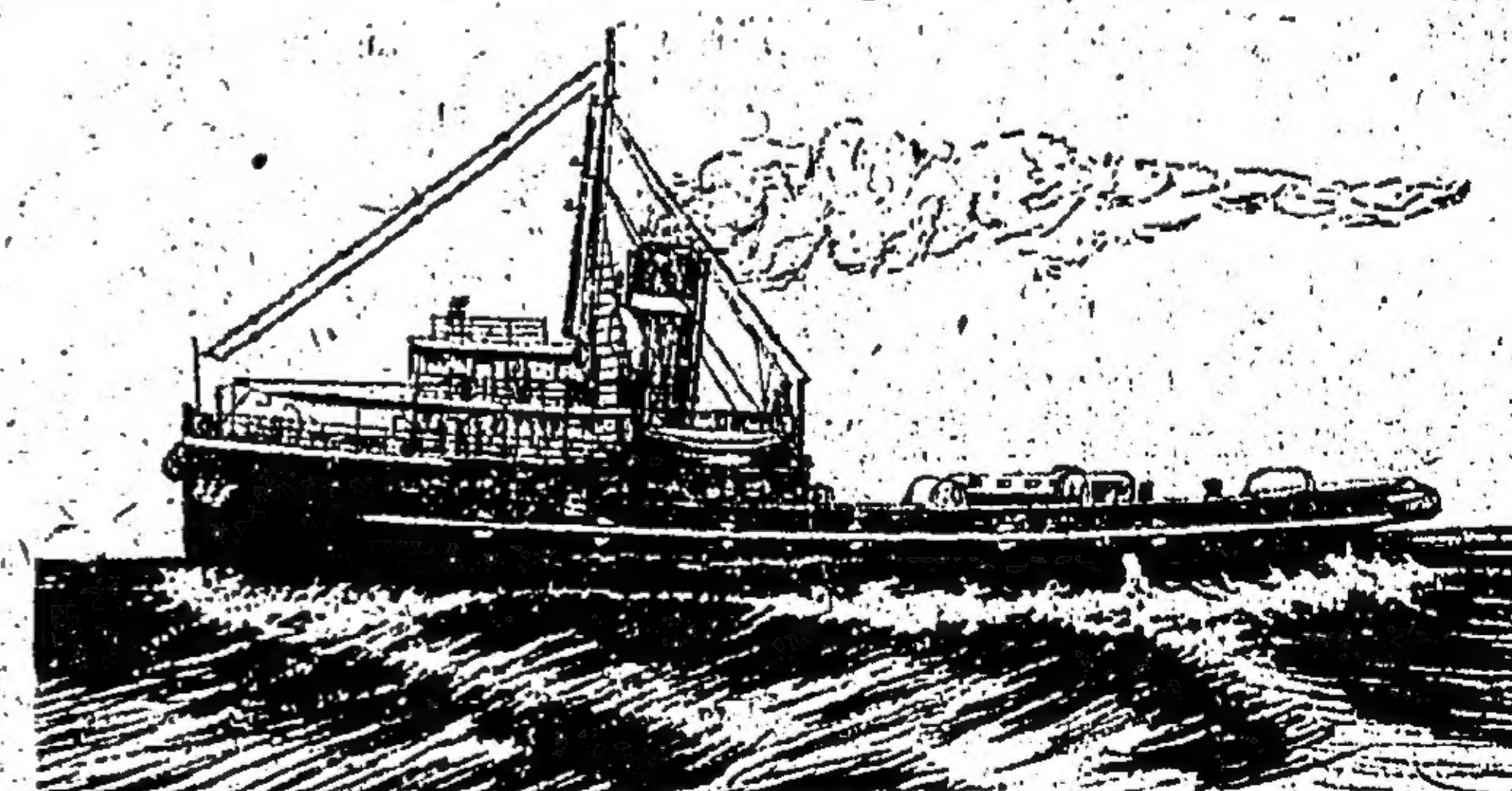
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"KHIVA"	6,017	8th Aug. at Noon	B'way, N'lon, Gib. Ldon, A'werp.
"ALIPORE"	5,273	23rd Aug. 22nd Aug.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay.
"KASHMIR"	8,841	23rd Aug.	MADRAS, GIB. Ldon, A'werp.
"MACEDONIA"	11,088	7th Sept.	B'way, M'lon, Gib. Ldon, A'werp.
"SICILIA"	6,913	20th Sept.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay.
"DONGOLA"	8,908	21st Sept.	MADRAS, GIB. Ldon, A'werp.
"SUDAN"	6,037	30th Sept.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay.
"MANTUA"	10,902	5th Oct.	B'way, M'lon, Gib. Ldon, A'werp.
"KARMALA"	6,940	19th Oct.	MADRAS, GIB. Ldon, A'werp.
"SICILIA"	6,918	23rd Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & B'way.

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"MACEDONIA"	11,088	15th Jan.	MADRAS, GIB. Ldon, A'werp.
"KASHMIR"	8,840	8th Feb.	do.
"MORRA"	10,911	22nd Feb.	do.
"KARMALA"	6,940	7th Mar.	do.
"NALDERA"	15,073	21st Mar.	do.
"KALYAN"	9,092	4th Apr.	do.
"CHINA"	7,331	18th Apr.	do.

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"SANGOLA"	5,184	10th Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Y'ham.
"DONGOLA"	8,908	11th Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Y'ham.
"SICILIA"	6,913	13th Aug.	Shanghai.

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Hongkong, July 28, 1923.

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Hongkong, August 2, 1923.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Bulletin No. 174 of the Canadian Pacific Railway reaches the China Mail and is full of compact information concerning the activities of this great organization. A feature is the illustrated articles on famous places on the around-the-world route. Those dealt with in this issue are Naples, Port Said and Alexandria.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. K. W. Lane, leaves Hongkong for Italy on Monday by the s.s. "Duchessa d'Aosta." From Venice Mrs. Lane, accompanied by her children, goes to Cremona where she intends to make her home.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PRESIDENT HARDING.

DEATH WHILE CONVULSING WITH HIS FAMILY.

LONDON, August 3.
This cable had been preceded only by a few hours by the following message:

A San Francisco message states: A bulletin issued by the physicians in attendance on President Harding says:

"The President died instantaneously, without warning, while conversing with members of his family at 7.30 this evening. Death was due to a stroke of apoplexy. During the day the patient had been free from discomfort and there was every justification for anticipating prompt recovery."

The end was so sudden that members of the official Presidential party could not be called in time.

The President died after passing the most satisfactory day since the beginning of his illness.

LATER.

A further San Francisco message states: The first indication of a relapse occurred when Mrs. Harding rushed to the door of the room and called the doctors. Mrs. Harding and two nurses were in the room at the time, the former reading to her husband when entirely without warning, a slight shudder passed through the President's frame, he then collapsed. All present immediately recognised that the end had come. Within a few minutes all the members of the President's official party were summoned. Mr. Hoover was the first to arrive.

LAST WORDS.

At the moment of his death his wife was reading to him a magazine article about himself, his last words were:

"That's good, read some more."

Mrs. Harding bore up stoically. She declared "I am not going to break down."

Mr. Harding's physicians state that he died from apoplexy or rupture of a blood vessel at the axis of the brain, near the respiratory centre. His sister died in a similar manner. He had long suffered from a high blood pressure and there was evidence of arterial sclerosis.

Vice-President Coolidge, who automatically becomes President, was notified immediately.

NEW PRESIDENT.

PLYMOUTH, VERMONT, Aug. 3.
The Vice-President, Mr. Calvin Coolidge, took the oath as President of the United States of America. He declared his intention of following the late Mr. Harding's policies and seeking the co-operation of Mr. Harding's associates.

Mr. Coolidge was sworn in by his father, who is a notary, at the latter's old farmhouse country home.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 3.
Mr. Harding's remains are being conveyed to Washington to-night in a car guarded by soldiers, after the private ceremony which will be the simplest.

LATER.

Mr. Harding will be buried at Marion.

LONDON, August 3.

The Court has gone into mourning for a week for the late President Harding.

LONDON, August 2.

The phrase "what next?" sums up the bulk of the comment of the morning papers on the European crisis, which all agree in regarding as of the gravest character.

The Government's statement is by no means greeted with a chorus of approval, though the opinion is generally expressed that negotiations with France are ended and the publication of the Notes means an appeal to the dispassionate judgment of the world.

The Times alone cordially approves the Government's explanation and intention to publish the whole correspondence, which it regards as a definite step forward and the very best thing the Government could do to secure firm ground for the pursuit of a fixed policy.

It hopes that the statements and the strong movement of opinion they will provoke will prove an important factor in the ultimate settlement.

The Daily Telegraph reads into Mr. Baldwin's statement a determination not to let the matter drift further and says it means in essence that we must agree to differ from France, and not on our own account, but to better purpose than France did six months ago.

The Westminster Gazette observes that the Government's appeal to the public opinion of the world is the first policy for salvaging Europe, but it needs to be energetically followed up.

The Morning Post, which apparently has difficulty in reconciling its championship of friendship for France with support of the Government, intently remarks that the debate in the House of Commons may have disappointed France, but it cannot have encouraged Germany.

Perhaps the only concrete suggestion is made in the Daily News which says it cannot suppose the Government has gone so far without considering the position which

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

would be created by the rejection by France of its proposals and suggests making use of the League of Nations which can do what France and Belgium refused to do, namely, initiate an enquiry into Germany's capacity to pay and explore and recommend lines of settlement.

Other papers are pointedly critical.

The Daily Chronicle says there is still no line of British policy. Meanwhile Parliament has risen and the country is left voiceless and uninformed, with a Ministry which seemingly does not know its own mind.

The Daily Mail expresses the opinion that the Government has cast prudence to the winds by adopting an attitude profoundly distasteful to France.

The Daily Express declares that Mr. Baldwin's statement is a confession of sheer impotence. It cannot congratulate the Government on the somewhat humiliating position in which it has placed the British nation.

The Daily Herald remarks that either Mr. Baldwin is deliberately concealing his policy, or he has none. Neither hypothesis does the government any good.

Elsewhere it is pointed out that nine years ago Great Britain threw the whole of its might and resources into the scale on the side of France and Belgium. The choice now is between separate action or paralysis, as Franco-British co-operation seems at present impossible.

PARIS, August 2.

The negative nature of the British Government's declaration as regards Ruhr reparations is considered to be the most salient characteristic of yesterday's Parliamentary announcements.

The French newspapers think that Mr. Stanley Baldwin's and Lord Curzon's speeches indicate an Anglo-French misunderstanding, but not a rupture, and that negotiations will not be broken off. They state the threat to appeal to the world's opinion does not move the French Government, as is evident from the latter's publication of its reply.

The Echo de Paris declares the speeches to be as empty as the reparations offers and that British ministers do not know what to do. It says the French reply asks certain questions to which London should reply.

BRUSSELS, August 2.

The papers here are disinclined to regard the latest development unfavourably, as they consider there is no fundamental divergence in view in the Allies' policy.

"ALICE DOLLAR" INCIDENT.

ICHANG, August 3.

Admiral Phelps, who was at Chungking when the "Alice Dollar" incident occurred, sent a wireless message to-day giving instructions that the "Alice Dollar" and the Chinese offenders be detained pending his arrival for an investigation. The Chinese officials and soldiers were transferred to the U.S.S. "Isabel" yesterday under close custody.

Captain Torretti of the "Alice Dollar" was also shot in the leg. He is progressing favourably though suffering from shock.

QUICK WORK.

"The Admiral Oriental Line is in receipt of telegraphic advice to the effect that the silk shipped per s.s. 'President Grant,' which sailed from this port July 9, at 10 a.m., arrived in New York August 1, 2 a.m. Total time taken in transit—22 calendar days 16 hours."

HOME MAIL.

The B. I. s.s. "Janus" arrived in port this morning with a large mail of newspapers, which will be delivered during the course of the day. The s.s. "Janus" left London on July 5.

Before Mr. C. D. Melbourne yesterday afternoon, eight men were charged with complicity in a piracy in Chinese waters on June 12 or alternatively, with unlawfully having in their possession a junk believed to have been stolen.

Evidence was given to the effect that after the junk had been fired at in Chinese waters a number of men boarded the vessel and ransacked the cargo. The master ultimately made his way into Hongkong. He saw his junk in the Yumai junk refuge. When a party of police went there in response to a report he made, the junk had disappeared. However, he again found it in Aberdeen where the defendants were arrested on board. The master yesterday stated that he identified three of the men as some of those who pirated his junk. He also recognised an axe and a club which had been stolen from his vessel, these two articles having been recovered in a Macao workshop with tickets found on the accused. Hearing was adjourned.

THE TYPHOON.

MAKING FOR SWATOW.

The Royal Observatory announced yesterday that the typhoon was within 120 miles of Lat. 10. N. Long. 121 E., moving W.N.W. A cable from the Manila Observatory yesterday received at the American Consulate-General at 4.15 p.m. gave the position as "near or over Baitang Channel, moving W.N.W. to N.W." The No. 1 signal was hoisted last evening and was still up this morning.

At 11.30 this morning, Mr. Claxton, Director of the Royal Observatory, stated the position of the typhoon to be Lat. 22 N. Long. 118 E., moving N.W. Mr. Claxton stated that the typhoon was apparently making for Swatow.

At 11.30 o'clock this morning the American Consulate-General received a message from the Manila Observatory reading: Typhoon in about 117 Long. E., 21 Lat. N., moving W.N.W. A cyclone or typhoon is developing to the South of Guam.

UNJUST BLAME.

HIGH CANTON OFFICIAL RESIGNS.

It is learned from authoritative sources that Mr. Wu Hok Fong, Vice-Minister of the Ministry of Reconstruction in Canton, has tendered his resignation, but Dr. Sun has not been pleased to accept same. The cause of his tendering his resignation is the blame that has been unjustly attached to him in connection with the confiscation of the Sunning Railway. The order for confiscation was actually issued by Mr. Tam Yiu Hoi, the former Minister of Reconstruction, on the eve of his departure for Hunan, his native province. Naturally, since the order was served after the departure of Mr. Tam, the officials and shareholders of the railway company attributed the responsibility of the order to Mr. Wu, as he was Acting Minister during the absence of Mr. Tam, and pending the arrival of the new minister.

Being aware that confiscation of the railroad would create trouble Mr. Wu resigned immediately he learned of the intention of the authorities. That was about two weeks ago. Dr. Sun refused to accept his resignation, but Mr. Wu has insisted that he be relieved of his post as he does not wish to be associated with any action of the Government that would create friction between the people and the government, particularly in the case of the Sunning Railway, he being a native of that district.

STRUCK ON THE CHIN.

PASSENGER'S STRANGE DEATH.

A Chinese third-class passenger on the s.s. "Chung On" was killed last night when the steamer collided with a junk at Whangmoon Creek about 10.30 p.m.

Soon this morning, the chief officer explained that a piece of timber on the junk protruded through the port-hole into the lower deck. The passenger received the full force of the impact on his chin with the result that his neck was broken. Death was practically instantaneous.

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C. R. A. PETITION.

THOSE SCRAPPED SIGNATURES.

C. R. A. OFFICIALS SURPRISED.

This morning's cable intimating that of the 1,500 signatures on the constitutional reform petition to the House of Commons all except 83 have been scrapped because no addresses had been affixed to them has come as a complete surprise to officials of the C. R. A. with whom a *China Mail* reporter discussed it this morning.

After interviewing two ex-honorary secretaries of the C. R. A. who had a good deal to do with the preparation of the petition and the present honorary secretary (Mr. H. R. Remington), the *China Mail* sought the President of the C. R. A., the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C.

Though busily engaged with the mass of plans and papers that has accumulated in his office since he took over the job of Chairman of the Housing Commission, Mr. Pollock was good enough to spend some time digesting out some correspondence which he thought might throw some light on the position. "This comes as a complete surprise," he said, "because it was thought that the stipulations of the Petitions Committee had now been complied with."

Reference to the file showed that in returning the petition after it had been presented by Col. John Ward, the Clerk to the Petitions Committee wrote: "With reference to the petition presented by you I am directed by the Chairman of the Petitions Committee to inform you that the same is informal and cannot be received inasmuch as, contrary to the rules of the House on the subject, it is printed not written and has not been signed by at least one person on the sheet on which the petition is written and further inasmuch as the prayer of the petition has not been repeated at the head of the additional signatures."

A copy of this letter was forwarded to the hon. secretary of the C. R. A. by Col. John Ward together with an extract showing the form the petition should take. "This set out, *inter alia*, that after the prayer of the petition 'signatures with addresses' should follow."

The petition, which had been sent back to Hongkong, was then arranged in such a way that it was hoped it might then comply with the rules of the House on the subject. It was despatched from Hongkong for the second time on May 25 and, dealing with the question of the signatures in a postscript to the covering letter, the hon. secretary (at that time Mr. R. Stock) wrote to Colonel Ward: "The signatures to the petition are upwards of 1,500 in number; the petition is nearly 70 feet long and the parts where the different sheets are joined to each other are duly certified and signed and dated by the hon. Secretary of the Constitutional Reform Association of Hongkong. Foreign residents of the Far East being comparatively few in number the address 'Hongkong' is considered sufficient address, any further details being easily obtained from the Far East Directory."

How far this official quibble may affect the future of the petition cannot be judged but it is comforting to note that on March 23 last Col. Ward wrote: "In any circumstances the fact that 1,500 British residents of Hongkong have made such a petition is now recorded upon the journals of the House."

BAND CONCERT.

LAST NIGHT'S NOTABLE SUCCESS.

A word of congratulation at the outset is due to those, who, in spite of the heart-rending experience of a double postponement, with consequent additional work and expense to meet, yet persevered and carried out their original intention of giving an all fresco entertainment of instrumental and vocal items. Last night was ideal even if the No. 1 typhoon signal had been announced. The Volunteer headquarters seems to lend itself for the class of entertainment which was provided. A great part of the ground has been turfed. The area is fairly large so that audiences may sit in true boulevard fashion. A simple chain of coloured electric lights with a neat profusion of flags at one end of the ground, with the outline of the P.W.D., buildings and the upper part of the Cathedral standing out in its simplicity in the semi-darkness of the evening, lent enchantment to the scene. Added to this that the arrangements were adequate, that there was no fuss, that the boys glided here and there to attend to the creature comforts of the three hundred or so who were present, it will be understood that there was nothing to interfere with the enjoyment of those present except the programme. This, let it be said at once, was almost perfect. If it was not too heavy in its individual and collected items, it was not too light. It was understandable and accordingly appreciated. The Band at times made our feet keep time to the tunes they gave us, and in "A Musical Sketch" we were almost urged to hum the numerous "ditties" with which this thing abounds. It seemed to be the most popular of the band items which included a selection from "Il Trovatore," a Clarinet Concerto, and a piccolo solo which was admirably played by the solo executant. Bandmaster H. D. Hemsley conducted admirably. The vocalists were in excellent form and their voices carried well on the clear night air. Encores were demanded and agreeably given by Mrs. Mathieson, Mr. and Mrs. Collett, and Mr. W. A. Hannibal who told us of his fondness for an egg. Mr. Osmond Skinner deserves a word for his rendering of two delightful tenor numbers. Lehmann's "On the day I met to Heaven" was especially pleasing. Mr. L. Zellensky gave three quaint impersonations in quick succession. Here is a mimic outside the ordinary who is able to give the quaintness of diction of "Babu," Chinese and Japanese, to the very life. Lieut. Colonel Bird, during an interval, voiced the thanks of all concerned to Mr. Grimble and the performers generally for their services. Also to Messrs H. B. L. Dowbiggin and A. H. Mackenzie for their honorary services. The excellent attendance that night was promising and it was hoped to arrange more concerts during the season. Mr. Dowbiggin in a conversation we had with him, confirmed this pleasing statement. These entertainments had been a feature of Hongkong life some years ago, and given a fair meed of support they hoped to continue them. All blessings and success on such very agreeable sentiments!

With a bullet wound in his right leg yesterday, a Chinese fisherman entered Tai Po police station. He said he had been shot by two Chinese near the border. Two men were subsequently detained.

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"THE IRON TRAIL."

Situated on the coast of Alaska, the starting point for the long tramp inland to the gold field, Cortez had been the scene of many thrilling episodes in Alaskan history. It had seen miners, fired with ambition and the lust for the hidden gold, start with their packs over the foot trails—it had seen some of these same miners come back rich with the precious metal and others return, destitute, despondent, physical wrecks. Others, and there were many of these, never returned from the icy embrace of the winter that caught and held them, far from the little town, until their scanty store of food gave out and they lay stiff and stark on the white allures of Nature's great treasure chest.

Cortez had become hardened to these things and even wrecks of ships off its dangerous rock shores failed to stir their interest. But the sinking of the "Nebraska" electrified the town into action. This steamer was bringing two passengers in whom Cortez had a deep personal interest, and as the news spread that the vessel had gone down, there was a rush for the water-front to see the horizon for traces of lifeboats with the rescued.



Scene from "THE IRON TRAIL"

There was dread and consternation in every heart save one and, strangely enough, that one was in the breast of the man who should have been most deeply concerned—for one of the passengers that Cortez eagerly awaited was Natalie Gordon, his beautiful, gold-haired step-daughter. The other was jovial Murray O'Neil, the famous railroad construction engineer, who was coming to look over the possibilities of the country for a new railroad.

Natalie had just finished school and like most girls of seventeen, in the first days of their new freedom, she was like a bird released from its cage—she had graduated with high honours, had been voted the prettiest girl in the school, and was on her way to a land that, in her girlish fancy, held only visions of romance. She did not know that her mother, lately married to Curtis Gordon, newspaper owner and proponent of doubtful schemes, was disillusioned and most unhappy. Natalie only viewed the world and her future in Alaska through the rose-tinted vision of bubbling youth, and when Murray O'Neil, tall, handsome, strong and gallant, was introduced to her by the captain of the "Nebraska," she immediately adopted the name by which he was known throughout the railroad world, "The Irish Prince," and insisted on using it all the time.

"You remind me of an Irish Prince," she told him in an artless burst of confidence, as they sat on deck that evening and Murray, pleasantly surprised at her lofty compliment, threw back his head and laughed that big, whole-hearted laugh that had made him popular in nearly every country in the world.

"Yes, you do," she repeated with a delightful air of deep conviction, "and I believe that you must have

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Murray, confused and embarrassed, interrupted her complimentary eulogy with a statement that "maybe there might be something to re-incarnation," but that personally he had never had time to study up on the subject. "You see," he said, "I have been so busy building real, steel bridges and real, honest-to-goodness railroads, that I have not had the time to build mental bridges over the past ages or to take any imaginary trips to ancient countries."

Natalie smiled at the humour in his reply and when they separated to go to their staterooms, Murray thought her a charming little creature, while Natalie went to sleep with a vision of her "Irish Prince" as an ideal hero surpassing any in all fiction.

An hour before dawn the next morning, as the steamer was forging ahead at full speed, and nearing the port of Cortez, there suddenly came a terrific, grinding shock. The vessel came to an abrupt stop, rearing up forward and listing over on her port side. The captain ran from his cabin to the bridge cursing the man at the wheel for having run the boat on the rocks, and in an instant there was wild-panic as the frightened passengers came pouring on deck and made a scramble for the lifeboats.

After being thrown from her berth by the shock, Natalie made her way to the deck, clad only in her flimsy nightgown; where, unmindful of the intense cold, she stood in petrified terror, watching the small boats filling and lowering off.

Murray's first thought was for the little girl that looked upon him as a Prince, but it was not until after the last lifeboat had put off, that he found her, half-fainting, crouched between two deck cabins. "Come, child, we'll have to swim for it now," he shouted, and picking her up in his arms he carried her to the rail.

Natalie's fear seemed to vanish instantly—she clasped her arms tightly about his neck with an instinctive feeling that she was safe, now that the Irish Prince had come to her rescue. In the darkness, Murray could not see her smile, but he felt her confidence, and, knowing that between them and safety was at least a mile of treacherous Arctic ice water, he was at a loss to understand it.

"It's going to be a long swim and the water will be frightfully cold," he told her, "but keep a tight hold on me, and with the help of God, I'll get you there, little girl."

"I just know you will," she replied, "and I'm not a bit afraid." Her words were an inspiration to defy Fate itself and Murray felt his nerves strengthen with an increased determination to be worthy of this child-like confidence. The ship was setting fast and after swinging her around onto his back with final instructions to hold fast but not to choke him, he poised for an instant on the rail and sprang far out into the blackness of the night—down into the turbulent, ice-filled water.

Numbled by the frightful shock of the plunge into the frigid water, Natalie soon lapsed into unconsciousness. Murray felt her hold loosen, and as she slipped from his shoulders, he caught and held her with one hand, while the other struggled on with the other. He felt his own strength ebbing as the paralyzing chill sank deeper and deeper into his muscles, and he fought hard to keep the terrible cold from mounting to his brain.

It was only by the exertion of superhuman will that he managed to retain consciousness long after all sense of feeling had left his body, and he marvelled that, when the dawn broke, he was able to shout for help, when on the crest of a wave, he sighted one of the lifeboats.

Curtis Gordon, entertaining a group of financiers in his handsomely appointed home in Cortez, had just finished telling them of his scheme to build a railroad from Cortez, which would be a highway to the interior, and was about to ask them for their financial support when the meeting was interrupted by Mrs. Gordon.

Rushing into the room, she sobbed hysterically:

"The 'Nebraska' is wrecked! The lifeboats are coming in—Natalie—my Natalie—is on board....."

Curtis, furious at her interruption, coldly disengaged her clinging hands, and, turning to the financiers, observed, casually, "Pardon this interruption: Natalie is my step-daughter. Drink to my enterprise, gentlemen."

Stunned by his brutality, she turned helplessly to the other men, and their looks of horrified amazement seemed to intensify the cruelty of her husband's words. The men, disgusted with Gordon, rushed for the door, to see if they could be of any assistance to the survivors, who were being brought up from the boats. Gordon left alone, with his sobbing wife, turned on her with a snarl: "Don't forget every dollar you have is tied up in this deal. If they back down now, it's all your fault."

"Curtis," sobbed the poor woman, "I never dreamed that anyone could be so heartless," and hurried away to find out if there was any news of her beloved daughter.

Gordon looked up to find his engineer, Dan Appleton, in the door. "Come in, Appleton," he said cordially. "Let's see that report of yours."

Dan Appleton, young, handsome and the sort of honesty, smiled and came towards Gordon. Unrolling the report in his hand, he showed Gordon the route he had surveyed. "I found that your route was not practical. Nobody could build a railroad over these mountains. The only feasible route is up the river."

Gordon's face darkened. "Pulling the map out of Dan's hands, he threw it contemptuously on the desk. "You may be a good engineer, Appleton," he said, "but what I want is a favourable report on my route—and not on one of your own."

Something in Gordon's manner recalled to Dan all the vague rumours he had heard of Gordon's former crooked dealings.

"What you have to do," continued Gordon, "is to give me a report that will sound plausible to the men I hope to interest. They don't know the lay of the land, and as for the route, it doesn't matter which route is the most practical."

Convinced now of the man's dishonesty, Dan did not hesitate a moment. "I can't change any report," he replied, "but I can resign—and I do"—and turning 20ft. his heel, he left the room.

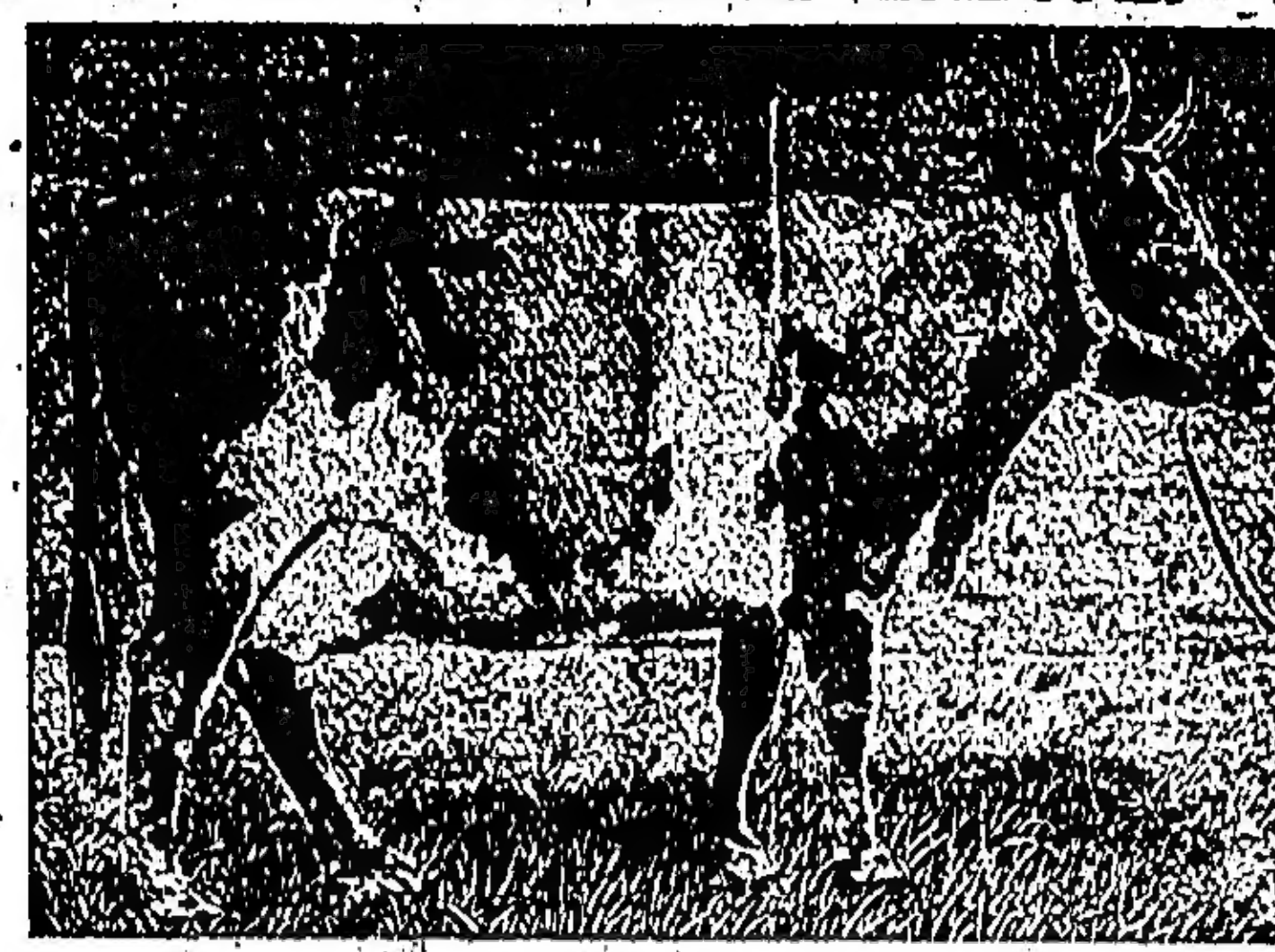
Gordon made a move to stop him, then reconsidered and shook his head. "Let him go," he thought, "he'll come back. There's nothing for him to do in Cortez and he must have a job to live on."

As Mrs. Gordon reached the dock, she discovered Natalie being carried up from the boat in O'Neil's arms. Rushing to her, she tried to rouse her, but exposure and exhaustion had plunged the girl into deep unconsciousness. Murray reassured the distracted woman. "She'll be all right as soon as she is warmed up. It's just a faint."

On the outskirts of the crowd, peering over the heads of the on-lookers, was Tom Slater. "Gordon's long, lank, sarcastic foreman. Hearing Murray's voice, he shoved the man in front of him out of his way and made a rush for Murray. "Murray!" he shouted, "It's the Irish Prince himself!" Murray looked up, and smiled. "Why, Tom Slater, you old devil! Wait for me, I'll be with you as soon as I get this girl safely to her home." And the procession passed up the little street, with Tom Slater following Murray as closely as possible, as if afraid of losing sight of him.

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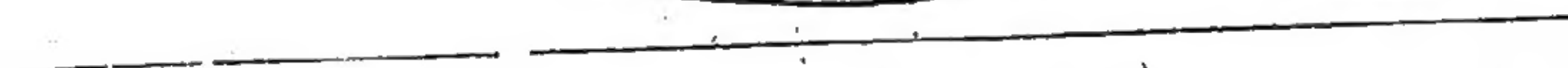
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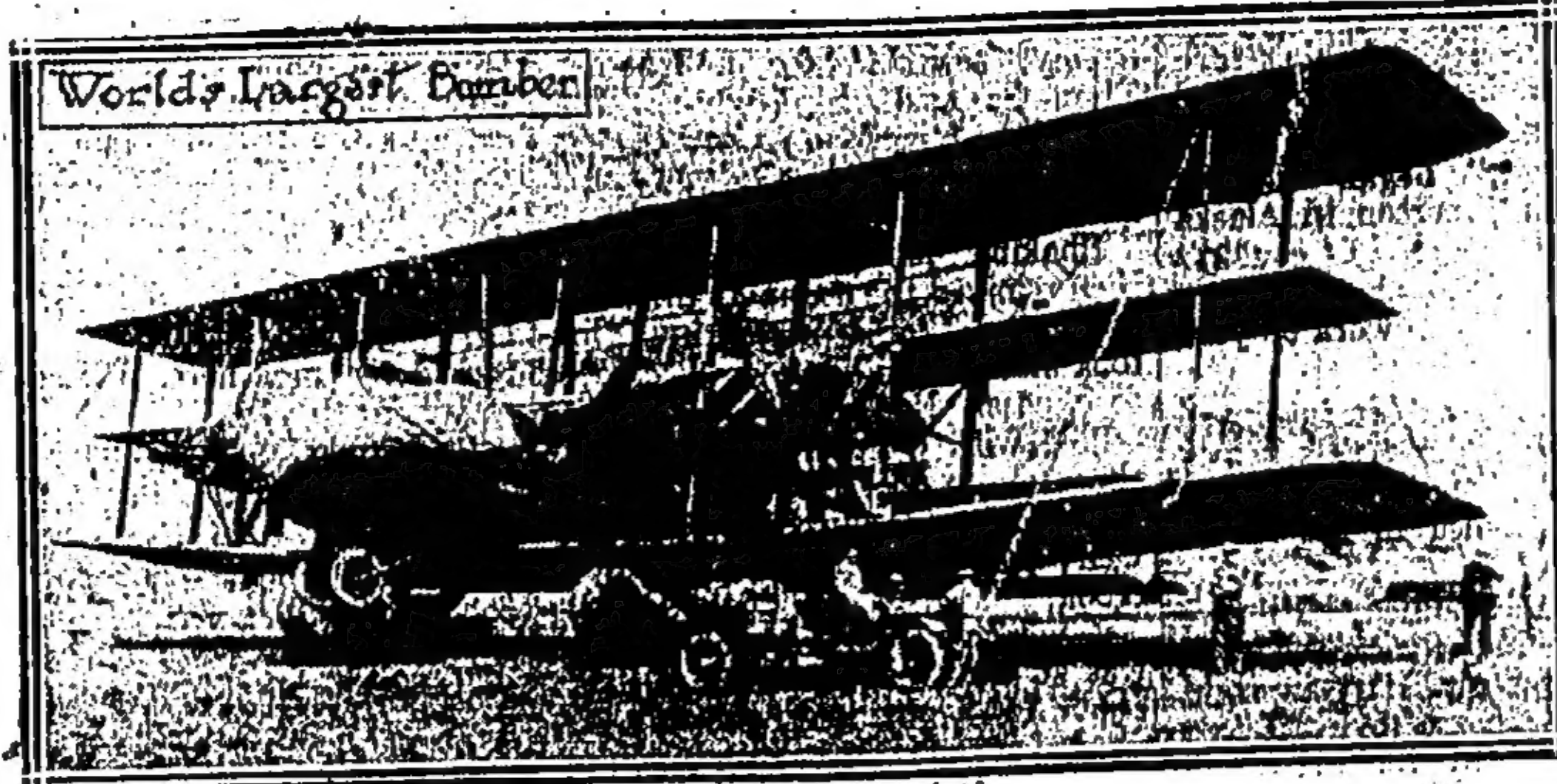
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Mrs. Hazel Burns, 29, mother of 5-year-old Harry Burns, has been arrested in New Orleans, on the charge of kidnapping Anna Hess, a 12-year-old Baltimore (Maryland) girl. She declares she met the child in Baltimore and, after talking the matter over with the child's father, took her to New Orleans. She denies she is guilty of kidnapping, but will not throw any further light on the case.



The greatest bombing aeroplane the world has ever seen has been almost completed at Wilbur Wright Field, Dayton, and is undergoing her ground tests, preliminary to flying. Lieutenants Harold R. Harris and Leigh Wade, with a crew of ten men, will man the ship. It has a wing spread of 120 feet, a fuselage of 65 feet and a gasoline tank capable of carrying 2,120 gallons. It mounts seven machine guns and will carry 12,000 pounds of bombs. The War Department is planning even larger machines. The "Barling," as it is called, weighs 20 tons, and two big tractors are necessary to haul it out of its hangar. It is powered with six 450-horsepower Liberty engines.



Mrs. Corbete Ashby.



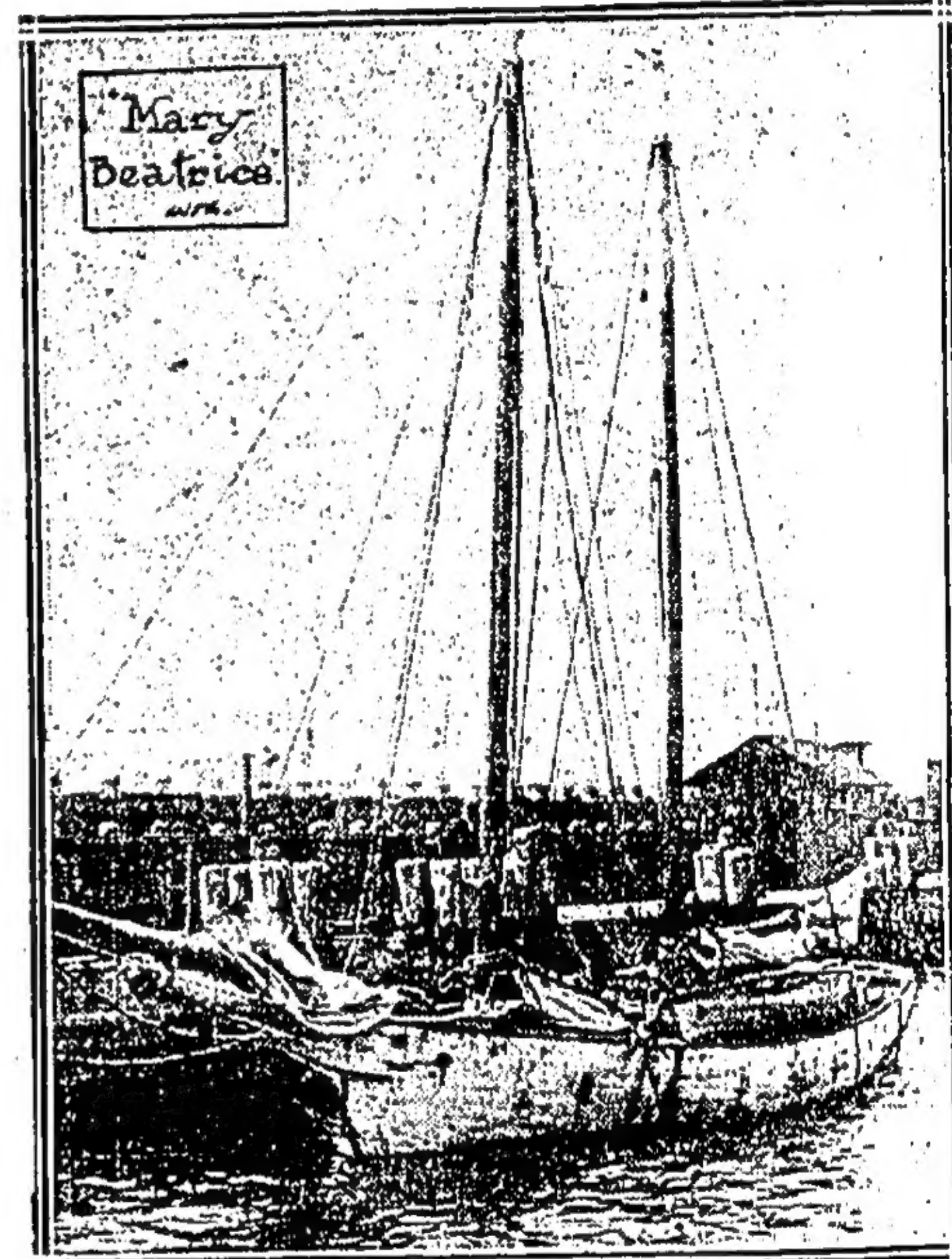
Jean Capel and Lord Burghersh.

Here is the latest portrait of Mrs. Corbete Ashby, of London, who was recently elected President of the International Women's Congress, in session in Rome, Italy. Mrs. Ashby takes the place left vacant by the refusal of Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt of America, to stand for re-election.

Charming Jean Capel, daughter of Lord Ribblesdale, has promised to wed Lord James Burghersh, fourth Earl of Westmoreland. The wedding, soon to be solemnized, will be her third marital venture. Percy V. Wyndham, her first husband, was killed while serving as an officer with the famous Coldstream Guards in the fighting of 1914. Later she married Arthur Capel, member of the House of Essex and at one time private secretary to former Premier Lloyd George, but he was killed in a motor accident about two years ago. The bride-to-be has an estate of four million dollars.



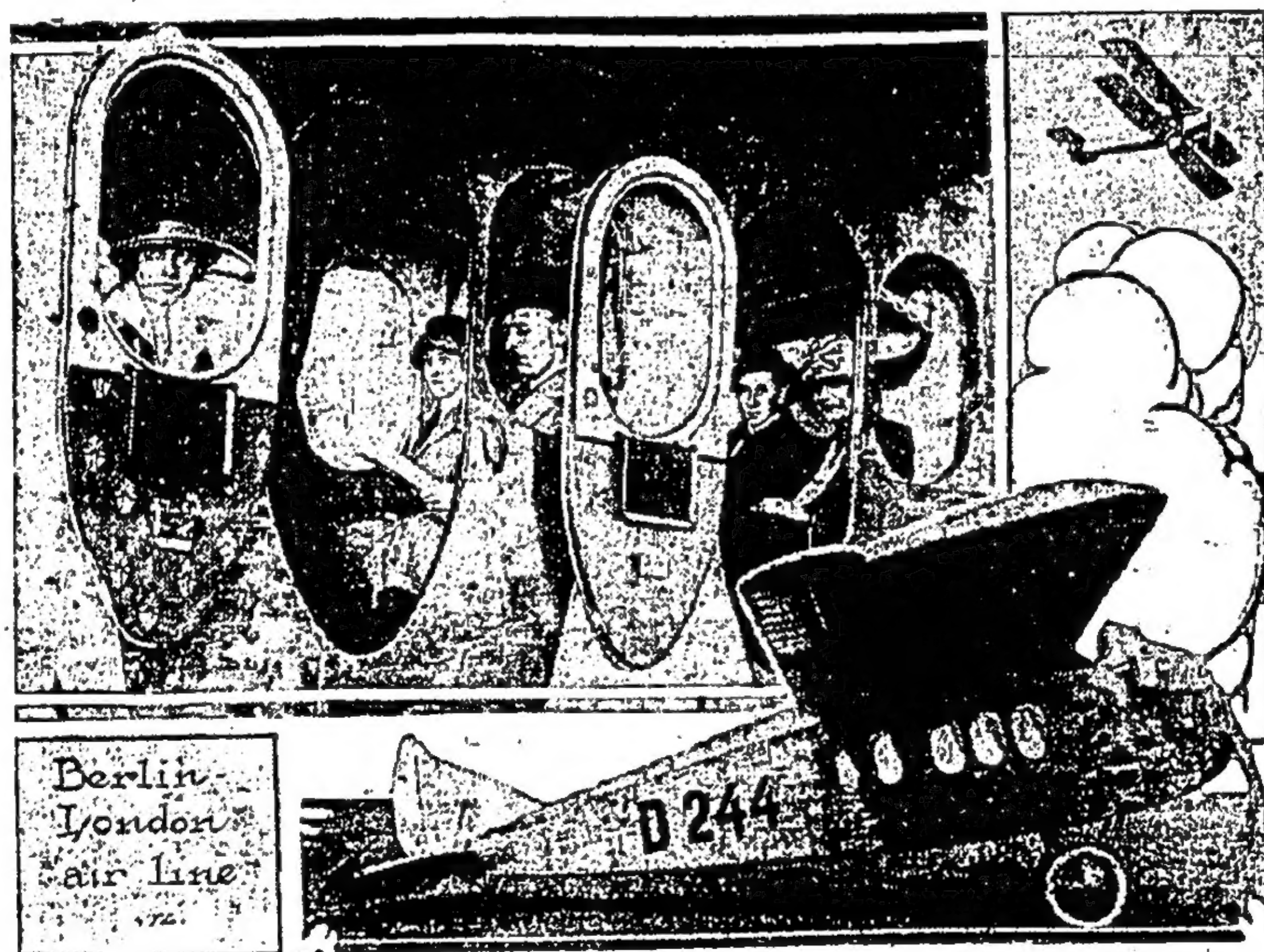
Mrs. Elbert H. Gary, wife of Judge E. H. Gary, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the United States Steel Corporation, is shown in a striking new portrait, just received. Mrs. Gary is a charming hostess and is fast becoming the leader of the foreign colony in London, where she is spending the season with her debutante daughters.



When the tiny 50-foot schooner "Mary Beatrice" entered New York Harbour there was unfolded one of the most dramatic stories that has ever known. Twenty Chinese offered the captain of the vessel \$500 apiece to smuggle them into the United States from Cuba. They paid \$250 each and were to pay the balance when landed. The captain deserted the ship off Run Runners (Kow, Sandy Hook). The crew tried to rob the Chinese, and a battle followed. Five Chinese two white members of the crew and two negroes were slain. When the crew was wiped out the remaining Chinese managed to get the vessel into port.



Charles Keck, the noted sculptor, is shown at work on his remarkable statue of John Mitchell, great leader of the labour forces and former head of the American coal miners. A large plaque will be placed behind the statue, showing various phases of Mr. Mitchell's life. The statue will be unveiled this autumn in Scranton, Pa.



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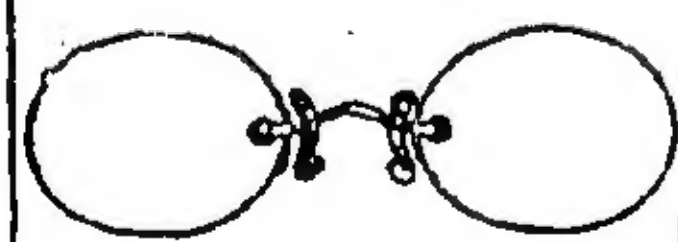
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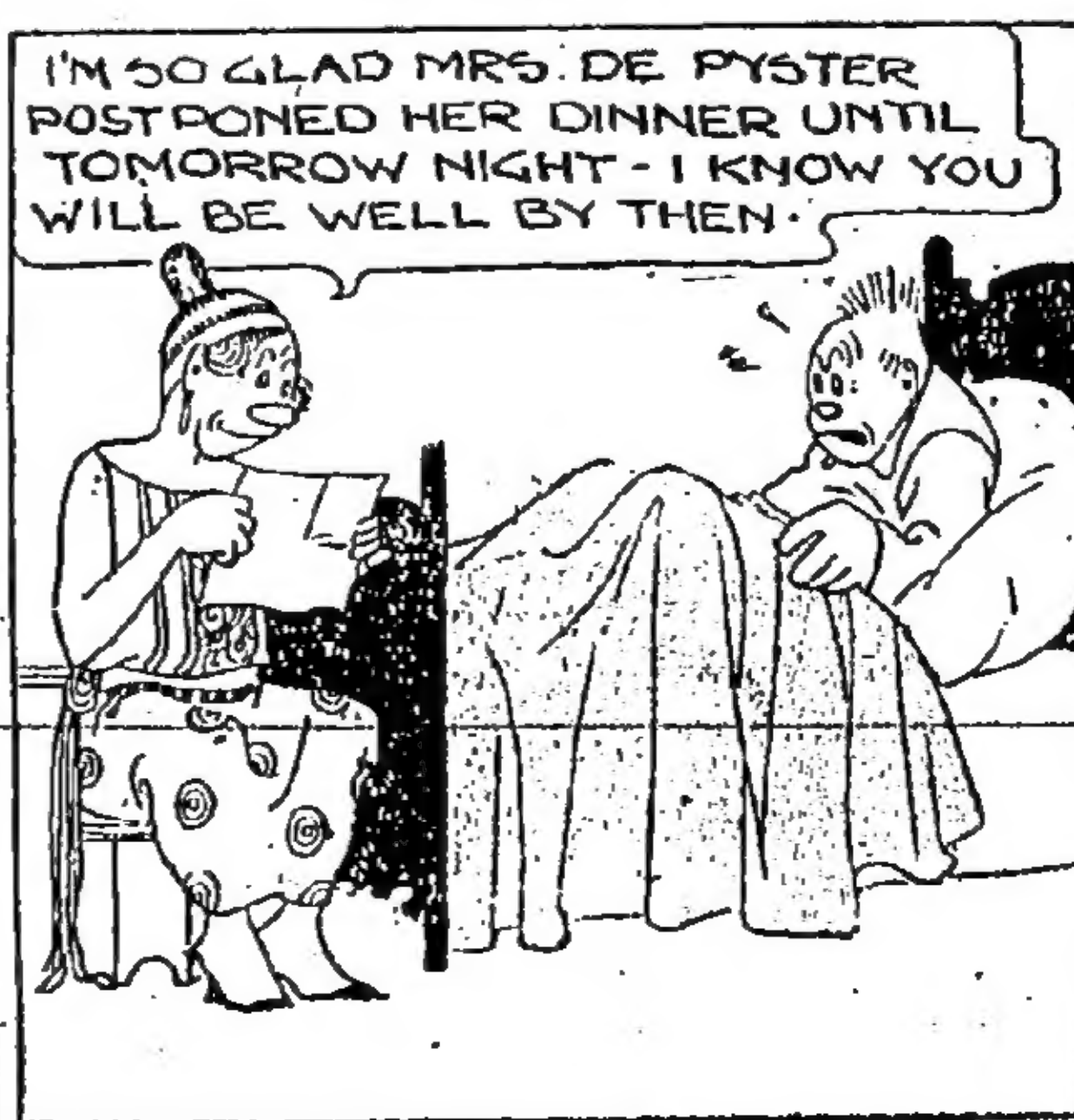
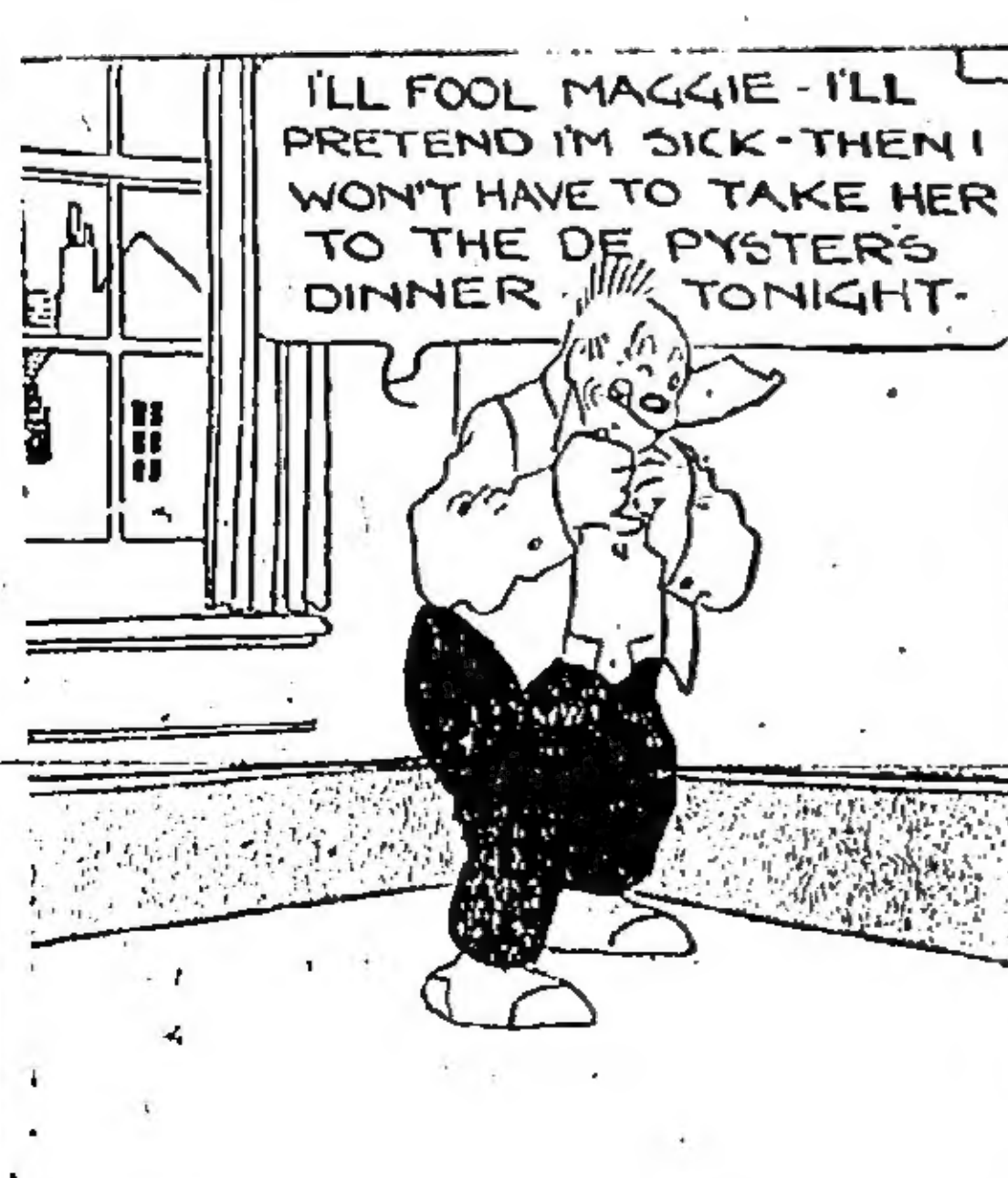
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THE IRON TRAIL.

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Seeing the determination of O'Neil's forces to carry on in spite of the obstacle in front of them, Gordon set about fortifying his camp. He threw up breastworks all round his camp and armed part of his men. Then he awaited developments.

As soon as he received the message, O'Neil started for the crossing, accompanied by Dan and Eliza. On the hair-raising ride down the track, O'Neil told the Appletons of his plans. As they drew closer to the scene of action, O'Neil observed that his track ran within fifty yards of Gordon's obstruction and that the "Go-devil" was running nervously back and forth.

Gordon noted the arrival of O'Neil and turning to his men he ordered: "They can't break through as long as we keep this 'Go-devil' going. Shoot anyone who comes near it."

After a consultation with Tom and the doctor, O'Neil walked out to the end of his track and surveyed the enemy's defences. Then he thoughtfully walked back and forth, his next move to Dan.

To the great surprise of Gordon and his men, O'Neil's construction team slowly pulled away down the track and vanished round the bend. Hardly able to realize that this was a retreat, Gordon watched a little while, and as the train did not appear, he exclaimed triumphantly: "He knows when he's licked!"

But O'Neil had no intention of giving up so soon. The withdrawal of the train was simply a ruse, to distract Gordon's attention from his camp. After a prolonged wait the train reappeared, slowly round the bend and steadily advanced toward Gordon's crossing.

The attention of Gordon and his men was riveted on the strange movements of the train and while this was occupying them, O'Neil took a desperate chance and worked round to the back of Gordon's encampment where, under cover of the trees near the monkey engine which worked the "Go-devil," he watched his opportunity.

Armed with an axe, he suddenly dashed for the engine, and as the "Go-devil" plunged down the track, he slashed the steel cable at its end over the block. With a mighty crash, the heavily weighted car, freed from the controlling cable, ran down the tracks and played off to one side, leaving the track clear and unobstructed.

At the crash of the "Go-devil," Gordon whistled round. He saw that O'Neil had accomplished the destruction of the "Go-devil" and sending a gun from one of his men he fired, only to miss.

O'Neil. At last a letter from Natalie, who had gone back to Omar to see her mother, who was ill, arrived. O'Neil read it and silently passed it to Eliza.

Telling the news of her mother's death, Natalie begged him to come and help her. She said that her step-father terrified her, as his fits of rage were becoming more and more violent.

"Eliza," said O'Neil, "the only thing for me to do is to go and bring her home, where she'll be safe."

Eliza, afraid to trust her voice, nodded. To her, leaving the bridge just then, when the spring "break-up" might come at any moment, meant that Natalie was more to him than anything else in the world.

As she watched O'Neil start on his journey, the voice of the glacier thundered a warning down the valley. Even now, the streams and rivers far up the valley were starting to thaw, and the first mild day would precipitate all their broken ice and turbulent waters down upon the unfinished bridge.

When O'Neil arrived in Cortez, he found it a deserted town. Gordon's project was dead and all the men had gone elsewhere to find work. Natalie, a worn, fearful Natalie—came to meet him.

"Oh!" she gasped, nestling in his arms like a tired child, "what am I going to do? I have no money. Mr. Gordon invested all mine in his railroad and it's all gone. I'm afraid of him; he threatens me with all sorts of things in his rages!"

O'Neil soothed her, and when she was calmer told her: "There is a mighty nice boy named Dan Appleton waiting for you in my camp. Don't keep him waiting any longer."

During this conversation, through the curtains of the door, appeared a sinister face. It appeared like a mask portraying all the torments of hell! Gordon had changed fearfully. He was no longer the suave promoter, but a man ravaged by all the powers of evil.

As Natalie ran up the stairs, O'Neil caught sight of the haggard face watching him. As soon as Gordon was conscious of the scrutiny, his expression changed and he invited O'Neil to come in most cordially. Remembering what Natalie had told him, O'Neil kept a close watch on the man, but was soon disarmed by the harmless manner in which he talked and in which he pressed his hospitality upon him.

There were many changes in the luxurious living room. The absence of the mistress was very evident in the disorder that prevailed. One thing O'Neil particularly noticed. In the place of honour, on the mantel, was a wonderfully executed model of a locomotive. This was of great interest to O'Neil, and rising from his seat he went over to examine it more closely.

As he turned his back to Gordon who had lapsed into a rather rambling conversation, the man's eyes followed the direction in which he was going.

As he saw O'Neil pause beside the model and turn it to see the inscription, Gordon's face became that of a madman. His eyes glared and he literally foamed at the mouth. One minute passed. The unconscious O'Neil was still attentively examining the model. Two minutes and the man crouched for a spring. Then like an unleashed panther, he threw himself upon the unsuspecting man and grappled for his throat.

A terrific battle ensued. Gordon's insane temper lending him almost superhuman strength. The encounter was not a fight of a man against man, but a struggle between two animals, striving for the mastery. As Gordon reeled against the table, gasping for breath, O'Neil staggered against the mantel; the shock of his fall jarred the model and with a crash it fell to the floor.

Recovering his balance, O'Neil turned to face Gordon. He was astounded to see the man's eyes lose their ferocious glare, become vacant and full of tears. Dropping to his knees, Gordon tenderly gathered up the broken pieces of the model with the greatest care, looking up at O'Neil like a hurt child. Watching him with pitying eyes, O'Neil saw him vainly try to mend the broken locomotive and muttering, "There's millions in smoke! If I had smoke enough, I could buy Alaska!"

Hearing Natalie's step on the stairs, O'Neil hastily drew the curtains to spare her the sight of the insane Gordon, and drew her away from the house of so many disasters. That same night brought the breaking of the ice. All the streams awoke and sent their swollen waters to join the turbulent rivers far below, and the glaciers, feeling the warmth of the sunshine on their icy slopes, added their thundering voices to the din of the ever-growing flood.

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